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Timely Tidbits ...

Be Sure To Buy a Goodfellows Paper

Local firefighters and other members of the Romulus Goodfellow Organization will be out in force on Friday, December 6, and Saturday, December 7, seeking donations for their *Special-edition Goodfellow Newspaper*. Please be generous when approached for a donation, as proceeds from the sale are used for the "No Family Without a Christmas" program.

Mayor's Chair Set for December 12

This month's edition of *The Mayor's Chair* will feature guests Dave Paul (Director of the Department of Public Works) and Richard Marsh (Community Development Director). The program will air on Cable Channel 40 at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 12.

Students Raise \$\$\$ for Transplant Fees

Romulus High School and Middle School students recently raised over \$1,900 for Stephanie Smith, an eight-year-old Belleville girl who needs an expensive stem-cell or bone-marrow transplant to help her fight a severe autoimmune disorder.

Part of the funds came from a collection effort organized by the High School's boys' basketball team. The athletes solicited donations from their fellow students during lunch periods over the course of a week, and also spent one afternoon collecting from students at the Middle School.

Other money was raised via a spaghetti dinner that was organized by High School culinary arts teacher Chuck Usztic's students, with some assistance from home economics students at the Middle School. The event was an enormous success, thanks to a terrific turnout of more than 200 members of the community. Generous donations from local individuals, groups, and businesses allowed the students to create a fabulous meal on a shoestring budget. □

RHS Senior's Essay Makes It Clear: There's a Lot for Which To Be Thankful



Yoruba Mitchell

On Thursday, November 28, millions of Americans sat down to a traditional Thanksgiving feast. But how many of them actually gave much thought to the reason for the holiday?

Yoruba Mitchell did.

In fact, the Romulus High School senior has been thinking a good deal about our country's heritage lately because of her involvement in the Daugh-

ters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizens Program and Scholarship Contest.

Mitchell was chosen as Romulus High School's "DAR Good Citizen" – and was thus eligible to enter the contest – because of her outstanding qualities of dependability (including truthfulness, loyalty, and punctuality), service (including cooperation, courtesy, and consideration of others), leadership (including personality, self-control, and ability to assume responsibility), and patriotism (including an unselfish interest in family, school, community, and nation).

The DAR contest consists of two parts. For the first half, entrants answer a series of questions about how they have tried to manifest the qualities of a good citizen, then submit their answers, along with a copy of their scholastic record and one letter of recommendation, to the contest committee. The second half consists of writing an impromptu essay, under the supervision of a faculty member, within a two-hour time limit, and without assistance or reference materials.

Each of the two parts represent 50% of the total contest entry score.

Contest entries are evaluated by independent, non-DAR judges, with the first-place entry automatically forwarded to the next level of judging until, ultimately, the final entries are judged on the national level, and the national winners are selected. Winners at the state level receive a cash award in the amount of \$250. At the national level, the entrant who places first will be invited to Washington, D.C. to attend the DAR Continental Congress and be awarded a \$3,000 scholarship, while the second- and third-place finishers will receive a \$1000 and \$750 scholarship, respectively. The remaining six geographical-division winners will each receive a cash award in the amount of \$500.

This year's essay topic was "Our American Heritage and Our Responsibility To Preserve It." Yoruba Mitchell's outstanding entry is reprinted below.

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Our American Heritage and Our Responsibility To Preserve It By Yoruba Mitchell

What is our American heritage? Why are we responsible for preserving it? Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are all parts of American heritage.

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RHS Student Visits Our Nation's Capitol

By Amber Nicole Long, junior, Romulus High School

On Tuesday, November 5, 1996, I attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law and the Constitution (NYLF/LC). The NYLF/LC is a nonprofit organization that sponsors week-long seminars for high school juniors and seniors. The NYLF/LC is a program for prospective attorneys. The organization also holds forums on Medicine, Intelligence & Diplomacy, and Defense.

I was in Washington D.C. for six days. While there, I met many friends from all over the country. They were all very nice. I got to visit the American University Law School, and Vinson & Elkins Law Firm. I would love to work for Vinson & Elkins after graduating from law school. I wouldn't mind moving to Washington, either! Yes, I loved it that much! My trip also included viewing The White House (my future home), select-

ed graves in Arlington National Cemetery (including the tomb of the unknown soldier), the Lincoln and Jefferson memorials, and the Vietnam and Korean War memorials. I also got to walk around Capitol Hill and The Smithsonian.

My Washington D.C. experience is something I will never forget!

Editor's note: Amber Long is truly one of the best of our community's young leaders. Besides attending the NYLF/LC, she has also been named to serve on the Michigan Community Service Commission's statewide youth body, the Michigan Youth Progressive Action Council (MYPAC). Selection for MYPAC is a real honor, since only five members are chosen from literally hundreds of applicants statewide. Long is the second Romulus youth to serve on MYPAC; Scott Smith, a 1996 graduate of RHS, is also a MYPAC member, and was recently selected by Governor John



Amber Long

Engler to represent the youth of Michigan on the Michigan Community Service Commission Board. □

Letter to the Editor

Editor's note: All letters to the editor must contain the writer's signature and a telephone number where he/she can be reached in order to verify the letter's authenticity. Names will be withheld by request if, in our opinion, the letter's content merits anonymity.

The Romulus News reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.

No Need To Worry About Speaking the Truth

To the editor:

I am greatly amused by the latest "tempest in a teacup" or "molehill-sized mountain" that's been created by Mr. R.P. Lilly in the most recent of his apparently desperate and repeatedly ineffectual attempts to arouse a *true*, City-wide hue and cry against Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS).

This time, according to an article in the November 7, 1996 issue of *The Romulus Roman*, Mr. Lilly is "extremely angry and frustrated" because of a "threatening" letter he reportedly received from EDS attorney Fred Hoops.

The letter apparently warns Mr. Lilly that if he continues to "oppose EDS' *lawful* (italics added) business activities" in developing deep-injection-well facilities in "other cities and townships outside of the state of Michigan" where neither Mr. Lilly nor his relatives are residents or own property, then EDS will "bring appropriate legal action seeking relief to what is entitled as a result of any such action."

Further, the letter cautions Mr. Lilly to "avoid making *untrue* (italics added) statements in public or in writing regarding any EDS project."

What is Mr. Lilly's response to these warnings? According to *The Romulus Roman*, he said that he is being "threatened" for "making *true* (italics added) statements and revealing the *truth* (italics added) about EDS operations."

How ridiculous! You don't have to be a rocket scientist – or a lawyer – to know that *any* person can be sued for making *libelous* or *slandorous* statements that *unfairly* damage the reputation of a company, and that a company can seek restitution from *anyone* who deprives it of its right to seek a *lawful* profit.

As long as Mr. Lilly limits himself to *factual* statements about activities in which EDS has participated or is participating – statements that he can back up with *proof* in a court of law – he has nothing to fear from EDS, its attorneys, or any court in the Country. But if Mr. Lilly has a problem with the company's lawful activities, then he needs to work

to *change the laws themselves*, not attack those who abide by them.

Mr. Lilly wasn't "threatened"; he was given a straightforward warning about the consequences that could result from certain actions.

If such a warning is a "threat," then so is *every* law that also stipulates a punishment for those who break it.

Dolores Witzgall
Romulus

Freedom of Speech Encouraged, Says EDS

Dear editor:

In recent weeks, we have heard verbal statements and seen written statements from a few individuals who indicated that Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS) has tried to limit their rights of free speech and expression of thought.

On the contrary, we at EDS encourage public discussion regarding our deepwell projects. To that goal, we have held a series of public information meetings open to anyone interested in asking questions or speaking out on the issue. Our only concern is that statements made to the public are accurate, or at least not purposely misleading or untrue. Otherwise, we welcome public input regarding citizens' feelings about our project – for or against.

To that end, the State of Michigan will hold a public hearing shortly after we submit a construction permit application for our deepwell facility, and the Environmental Protection Agency will hold a public hearing regarding the deepwell permit applications. These meetings are specifically designed for members of the public to attend and speak their minds. Again, we encourage the public to attend these meetings to express their thoughts and concerns.

Austin Marshall
Vice President, EDS □

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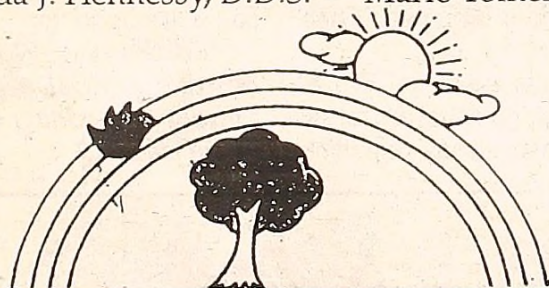
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Guest Commentary

"Lame Duck" Session May See Crowded Agenda

By State Representative Greg Pitoniak

Well, the elections are finally behind us. Both House and Senate members are back in town, and, although the "lame duck" session will only be a few weeks in length, I expect that it will be crowded with a number of initiatives which have been dangling for several months. In light of the fact that the Republicans will remain in the House majority only through the end of the year (due to the outcome of the election, in which Democrats won 58 seats to the Republicans' 52), the general thinking is that a number of issues will be addressed in the final two weeks of session.

Look for the Legislature to consider the following:

- changes in the structure of fees for hunting and fishing licenses, with increases in some and reductions in others;
- changes in transportation funding, which may or may not include a Republican proposal to increase the gas tax;
- a plan to privatize the distribution of liquor in Michigan; and
- funding mechanisms to address situations created by various court decisions, such as special education needs.

I am not certain which, if any of these, we will get into in the next few weeks. They are all critical issues which deserve careful consideration, particularly the ones that hit the pocketbook. I hope we will not be forced into a situation in which we must make hasty decisions which are not thought out, as has been the case in the past. That only leads to backtracking and trying to repair the damage.

A note on the outcome of the election: I want to thank those of you who have supported my efforts as your state



Representative Greg Pitoniak

representative over the years. Your input and assistance have been very important to me as I have tried to resolve your problems and meet your needs. To those of you whom I have not met or with whom I have not worked, I welcome the opportunity to do what I can for you.

And to all of you, I would remind you that I am *your* representative! I am here for you!

Editor's note: The purpose of the "Guest Commentary" column is to provide members of the Romulus community and other interested parties with an opportunity to express their viewpoint on issues of interest to the people who live and do business here.

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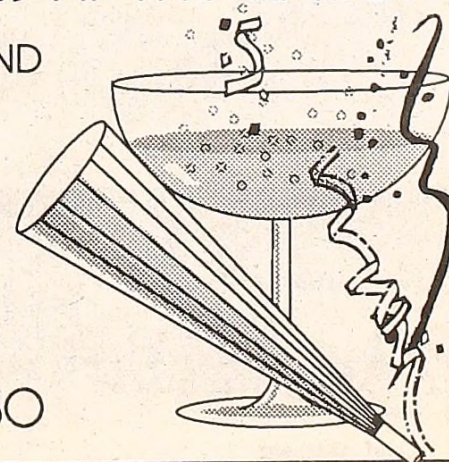
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Walter's Bar & Bowling Alley Celebrates 50th Anniversary

By Rikki Strobos

Walter's Bar & Bowling, located at 37452 Huron River Drive in Romulus, is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary.

Now a "local institution," Walter's Bar first opened in December of 1946. Then-owners Walter Perecki and his wife Helen added the bowling alley two years later.

Currently, the business is owned and operated by Walter's son Eugene and his wife Sylvia, both of whom are extremely proud of the family business.

"My father — who was always a gregarious person — had a grocery store here in Romulus," explained Eugene. "When he sold it to open Walter's Bar (and, later, the bowling alley), he wanted to create a local gathering place where people could come to relax and have fun in a friendly atmosphere. I think he did an admirable job in accomplishing his aim, and my wife and I have always done our best to continue his tradition."

Both of the Pereckis are quick to share credit for the bar's success with their loyal employees.

"We would like to thank the many people who have worked for and with

the Perecki family over the years," said Sylvia. "Their dedication was a cornerstone of our prosperity, and we couldn't have done it without them."

Both the bar and the bowling alley are open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Sundays from 12 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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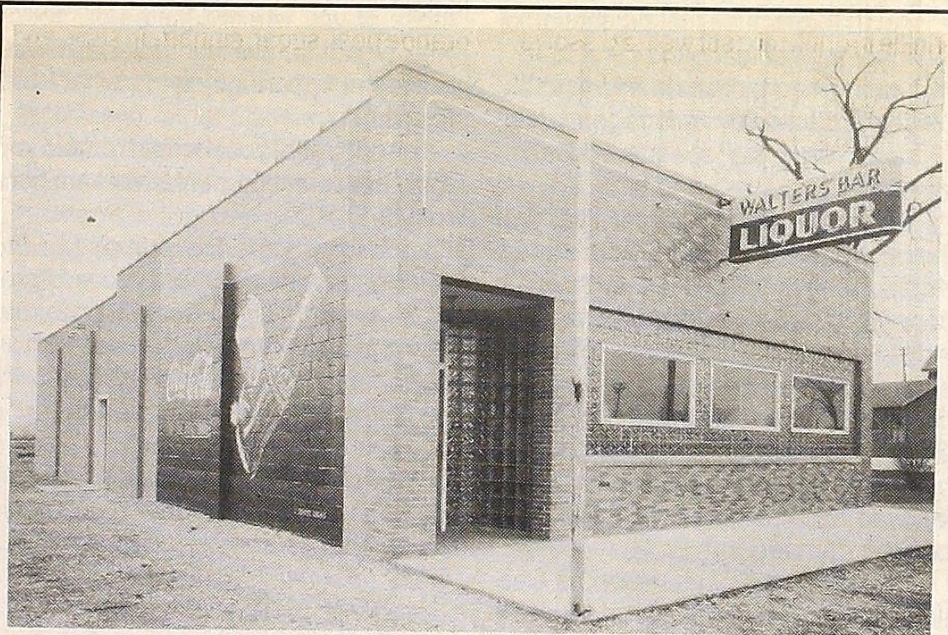
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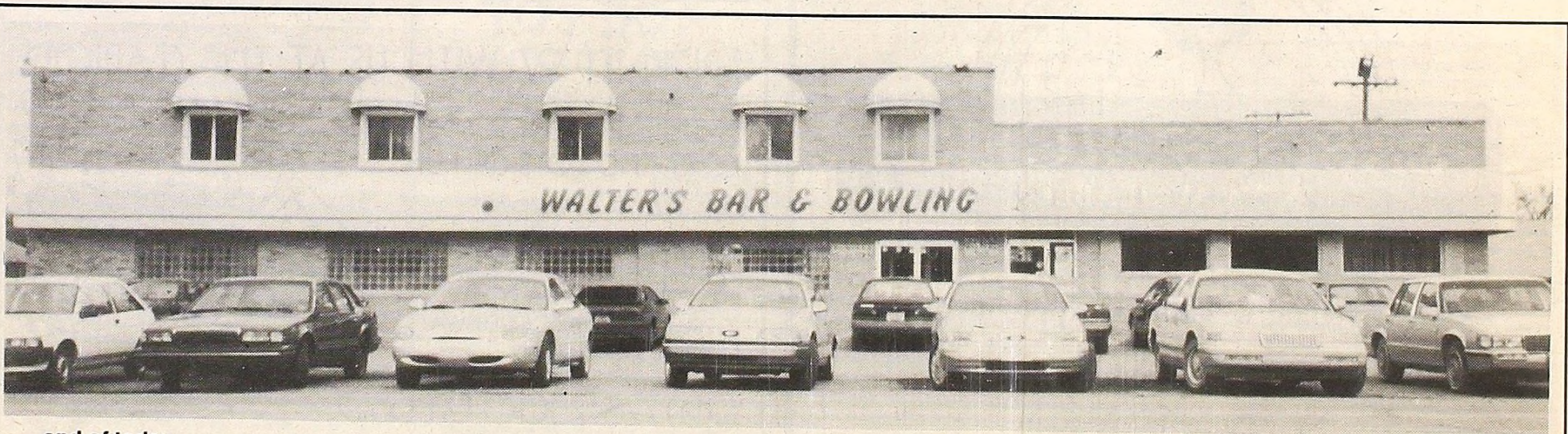
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Walter and Sylvia Perecki

MITCHELL'S "DAR" ESSAY

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In fact, they *are* America's heritage.

Life. With our education and employment, America offers everyone the opportunity for advancement. It's possible for every American citizen to go to school, and on to college. It is our responsibility as citizens to maintain our country's high living standard. Here in America, everyone has potential, but it's up to them to maximize that potential. So many opportunities are lost because people simply don't take advantage of them.

Another large and important part of our heritage is diversity. No other country in the world is as diverse as America. Different cultures coming together is what has made America what it is today. Realizing this, we must continue to work together as we have in the past to keep America the great union that it has been, and will continue to be.

Liberty. Throughout history, the power in America has been vested in the people. Democracy has long been a major part of American history. Preservation of our democracy is up to the voters. By raising awareness in our peers and colleagues, we can continue to enjoy the freedom democracy has granted us.

Freedom affects all of us. We in America have daily rights that are rarely thought of. We can wear, say, and think

what we choose. Being liberated is important to everyone, and by voicing our vote, we can keep democracy a part of America. Voting is instrumental in keeping America's freedom a part of America's heritage.

The pursuit of happiness. Here in America we not only have available education, we have the chance to put it to good use. We have the ability to live out our dreams here, in the land of opportunity. We can make a career of doing things we enjoy.

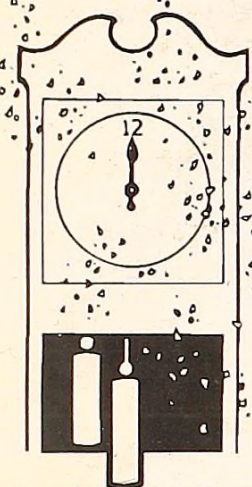
By helping others help themselves, we can give people a chance to live out *their* dreams. Helping someone is as simple as spending time with them, listening to them, or just letting them know you care. Continuing to help others is the way to keep the ability to pursue your dream a part of American heritage.

Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are America's heritage. By keeping ourselves aware of what is going on in our country, and how it affects us, we can keep the American dream alive. Because it was kept for us, we are responsible for keeping it for the next generation, and they for generations to come. It's up to us.

Editor's note: We wish Yoruba the best of luck in the DAR contest, and look forward to reporting her success in a future issue! □

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Pack the Holidays with Punch!

By Florine Mark, president and CEO,
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When I think of the holidays, I think of the sights and sounds of the season. I look forward to seeing relatives and close friends, and hearing the spread of good cheer.

The holidays are also something to savor because of the wonderful spices and seasonings of holiday cooking. But when you're planning your holiday feasts, don't just focus on food; add some "punch" to your holidays. Serving a big bowl of punch or a hot holiday beverage is a simple way to add a festive flare to your affair.

Silver Jubilee Sparking Punch is a great holiday spirit to serve when you're entertaining a large crowd. **Rasp-**

berry Flizz is a cheery refreshment for a smaller gathering, but can also be doubled or tripled if you would like to serve it as a full punch recipe. For a great way to finish the evening, **Coffee Diablo** adds a refreshing twist to a cup of after-dinner coffee, and **Hot Buttered Rum** is a great spirit for an evening nightcap around the fire.

Some of the greatest recipes can be found during the holidays, so take some time to savor the season. Make sure you enjoy all the wonderful recipes that the holidays bring, because you might have to wait another year to enjoy them again.

Wishing you and your family all of the joy of the holiday season and a healthy, happy new year.

Silver Jubilee Sparking Punch

(makes 3 quarts)

1 quart cold water
1/2 tub (about 2 teaspoons) low-calorie fruit-punch-flavored drink mix (4 calories per 8 fluid ounces)*
1 cup dry champagne, chilled
1 cup dry white table wine, chilled
1/4 cup raspberry liqueur
1 1/2 quarts club soda, chilled
5 scored lemon slices
1 cup raspberries, divided

In punch bowl, add cold water and sprinkle in drink mix; stir well to dissolve. Add champagne, wine, and liqueur. Pour in club soda, then add lemon slices. Serve each portion of punch with equal amounts of raspberries.

*1 tub of low-calorie fruit-punch-flavored drink mix makes eight 8-fluid-ounce servings.

Each serving (3/4 cup) provides: 45 Optional Calories.

Per serving: 40 Calories, 0 g. Protein, 0 g. Fat, 3 g. Carbohydrate, 4 mg. Calcium, 1 mg. Sodium, 0 mg. Chol.

Source: *Weight Watchers Quick and Easy Menu Cookbook*

Raspberry Flizz

(makes 6 servings)

1 1/2 cups fresh or frozen raspberries
1 cup orange juice
2/3 cup pineapple juice
2 12-ounce cans diet lemon-lime soda, chilled
Mint sprigs for garnish

In blender, combine raspberries with orange and pineapple juice; blend until smooth. Strain into pitcher; slowly pour in soda. Stir to combine. Divide evenly among 6 ice-filled glasses; garnish with mint.

Each serving (1 cup) provides: 1 Fruit.

Per serving: 50 Calories, 1 g. Protein, 0 g. Fat, 12 g. Carbohydrate, 14 mg. Calcium, 34 mg. Sodium, 0 mg. Chol., 2 g. Dietary Fiber.

Source: *Weight Watchers Favorite Homestyle Recipes*

Coffee Diablo

(makes 2 servings)

2 tablespoons plus 1 1/2 teaspoons ground automatic drip coffee
1 tablespoon freshly grated orange peel
1 tablespoon firmly packed light or dark brown sugar
1 cinnamon stick
Dash ground cloves
1 1/4 cups water

Arrange ground coffee in paper filter; set in automatic drip coffee maker. In coffee maker's glass carafe, arrange orange peel, sugar, cinnamon stick, and cloves. Pour water into coffee maker and brew.

Let brewed coffee stand in glass carafe until flavors blend, 2 to 3 minutes. Stir coffee; pour through a sieve into each of two coffee cups, discarding solids.

Each serving provides: 30 Optional Calories.

Per serving: 35 Calories, 0.2 g. Protein, trace Fat, 9 g. Carbohydrate; 28 mg. Calcium, 6 mg. Sodium, 0 mg. Chol. (Dietary Fiber data not available).

Source: *Weight Watchers Meals in Minutes Cookbook*

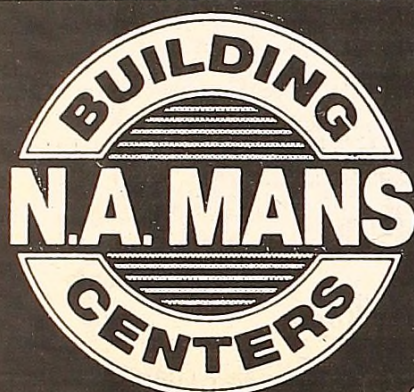
Hot Buttered Rum

(makes 2 servings)

1 tablespoon firmly packed dark brown sugar
2 teaspoons whipped sweet butter
Dash ground cloves
Zest of 1 small orange*, removed in 1 long piece, then cut in half
1 cinnamon stick (10 inches long), broken in half**
6 whole cloves
1 cup brewed tea (hot)
2/3 cup unfermented apple cider or apple juice (no sugar added)
1/4 cup dark rum

In small bowl, combine sugar, butter, and ground cloves, mixing well until blended; set aside. Wrap each strip of orange zest around each cinnamon stick. Trim zest if necessary.

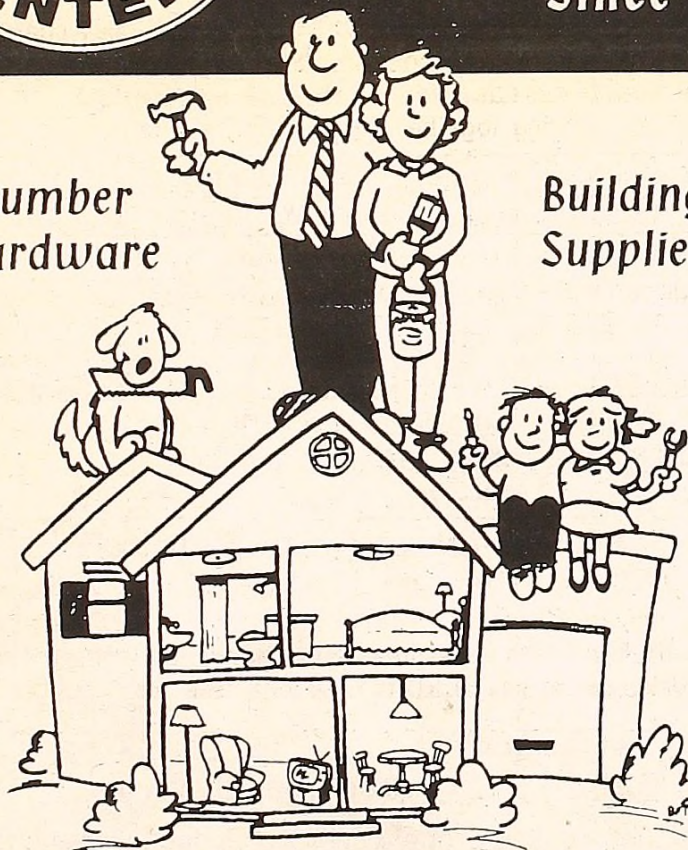
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747 Enjoys Successful Takeoff



Esaud Pacheco's new 747 Party Store has really taken off.

By Rikki Strobos

Esaud Pacheco is flying high, thanks to the early success of his new 747 Party Store, located at 7300 Middlebelt Road in Romulus.

Patrons who first came in to shop for beer, wine, pop, candy, and convenience groceries have come back again and again because of the smiling service provided by Pacheco and store manager Helen Viruet.

Pacheco says that many of his new customers first came in out of a sense of curiosity.

"Most of the people around here remember coming to this place when they were kids, when Mr. Ed Fitzgerald was here. They wanted to see what had been done to the old place."

Although the 30-year-old Pacheco may be new to the party-store business, his desire to please his customers and his infectious enthusiasm make up for his lack of experience.

"Romulus is really a community on the grow," said Pacheco. "It's got a lot of

potential, and I wanted to do my small part to make that potential a reality."

A Detroit native, Pacheco graduated from Taylor Center High School and attended Wayne State University. He and his wife Tina reside in Lincoln Park with their three boys: Robert (age 13), Anthony (10), and Michael (9).

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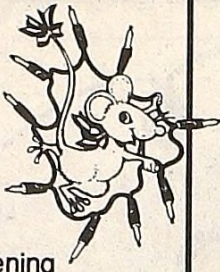
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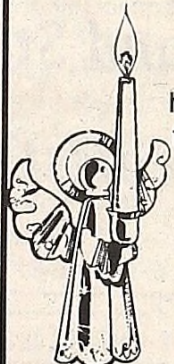


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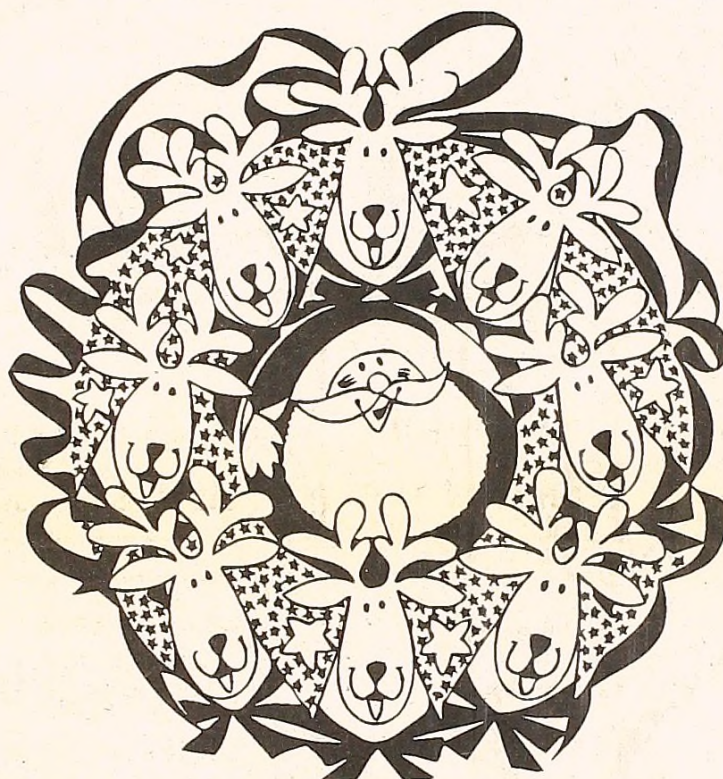
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Community Calendar

- **Toys for Tots** – The Outpost (located at 18855 Wahrman Road in New Boston) is currently accepting donations for the Marine Corps Reserve's Toys for Tots program. Drop-offs may be made at the Outpost during its open hours (Sunday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.).
- **RHS Track Open To Public** – Just a reminder to all you winter walkers that the track in the Romulus High School gymnasium is open to the public weekdays from 6 to 7:30 a.m., and is also available from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays if the gym is not being used by one of the student sports teams. (When the gym is in use, walking is permitted in the school hallways, instead). For more information, contact the Athletics Office at Romulus High School: 941-2170.
- **Bowling Event Raises Money for Little League** – The Romulus Little League will host its annual Bowling Night fund-raiser on Saturday, December 7, beginning at 7 p.m. The \$15-per-person donation covers three games of bowling, shoes, and door prizes. Families welcome! For ticket information, please call either Cathy (941-7612) or Debra (942-9261).
- **Motorcycle Swap Meet** – You'll find everything from jewelry, leathers, T-shirts, and tattoos to parts and (of course) bikes at the Motorcycle Swap Meet, which will be held at the Michigan State Fair Exposition Center (located at 1120 West State Fair Avenue, Detroit) on Sunday, December 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults; free for children under 12. Preregistration required for those who want to rent space; call 216-985-1660.
- **Christmas Breakfast** – Romulus Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #9568 will host a Christmas Breakfast at the VFW Hall (located at 39270 Huron River Drive in Romulus) on Sunday, December 8, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Cost will be \$3.50 for adults; \$2.50 for senior citizens/children 12 and under. For more information, call 941-3030.
- **Pumpkin Festival Committee Needs You!** – The Romulus Pumpkin Festival Committee is already working to bring the first annual Pumpkin Festival to our downtown area in September 1997. The Committee's meetings are held in the Romulus City Hall Community Room (located in the lower level) at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month. (Next meeting date, because of the holidays: December 12.) For more information, call Susan Watts at 941-0476.
- **Romulus Schools Holiday Concerts** – The following dates have been set for Romulus Community Schools students' holiday concerts: Thursday, December 12 (dance and choir; 7:30 p.m. at the High School); Monday, December 16 (Romulus Middle School and Wick Elementary School bands; 7:30 p.m. at the Middle School); Tuesday, December 17 (Romulus High School bands; 7:30 p.m. at the High School); and Wednesday, December 18 (Barth, Cory, Halecreek, and Merriman bands; 7 p.m. at the High School).
- **The Nutcracker** – Take in this holiday classic, presented by the Taylor Ballet Americana with the Southern Great Lakes Symphony Orchestra, at the Huron Civic Theatre (located at 32044 Huron River Drive in New Boston) on Friday, December 13; Saturday, December 14; and Sunday, December 15. For ticket information and show times, call the Theatre box office: 782-5380.
- **Romulus Little League Meetings** – The Romulus Little League Board of Directors invites the public to attend its regular meetings, held at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the Romulus Recreation Department (36515 Bibbins).

To place information in the Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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Recreation Programs

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Department during its regular hours (weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

Santa Claus Is Coming To Town

Santa makes his official arrival in the City of Romulus on Friday, December 6, when he'll preside at the City's tree-lighting ceremony, to be held at Romulus Historic Park (located on Hunt Street near the Post Office in downtown Romulus) beginning at about 6:30 p.m. (Be sure to come a few minutes early, so you can participate in the community caroling which will precede the event.) Later, Santa will make a stop at Wick School to share goodies with local children and hear their Christmas wishes.

Lunch with Santa

Children ages three to 10 are invited to join Santa for lunch on Saturday, December 14, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$3 for the first child; parents and additional children pay \$2 each. (Parents are asked to participate with their children.) Preregistration at the Romulus Recreation office is required by Wednesday, December 11 (limited to first 60 participants). For more information, call 942-6852.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

Although it would be hard to top lunch with the Jolly Old Elf Himself, a trip to Northville immediately afterward to see a live production of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* could come close! A cost of \$6.50 covers admission, supervision, and bus transportation (bus departs from the Romulus Recreation building at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 14, and returns at approximately 4:30 p.m.). Preregister at the Recreation office no later than Thursday, December 12. For more information, call 942-6852.

City of Romulus "Lights Tour"

The Romulus Beautification Committee and the Romulus Recreation Department have once again planned a bus tour of the City's most attractive holiday decorating displays. Cost for the trip – which will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 19, and continue for about two hours – is just \$1 per person. Preregister at the Recreation office. For more information, please call 942-6852.

Rollerskating at Skateland

Children under seven can register if they will be accompanied by an adult) are invited to enjoy an afternoon of skating at Westland's Skateland on Friday, December 27 (bus departs from the Recreation building at 12:30 p.m. and returns at approximately 3:30 p.m.). A fee of \$6 covers transportation, supervision, skating, and rental of rollerskates (to rent inline skates, cost is an additional \$3.50). Space is limited to the first 50 people to register.

Ping-Pong Tournament

The Recreation Department is sponsoring a Ping-Pong tournament to be held at the Recreation building on Friday, January 3, beginning at 1 p.m. Play will be divided into two divisions: "elementary" and "middle." Cost is \$2 per person; covers drinks and trophies for first- and second-place finishers.

Parent-Child Bowling

Family fun is the name of the game at the Recreation Department's Parent-Child Bowling event, planned for Saturday, January 4, beginning at noon. (If Mom or Dad is busy that day, maybe Grandpa, Grandma, Uncle, Auntie, or Big Brother or Sister can stand in.) A fee of \$17 covers two games of bowling, pizza, pop, special events, and door prizes. Although a registration deadline of Friday, January 3, has been set, space is limited to the first 30 couples to sign up, so early registration is advised.

Karate

The 10-week winter Karate session has just begun, with classes held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Romulus Middle School. Cost is just \$10 for Romulus residents; \$15 for all nonresidents.

Tai Chi

The Romulus Recreation Department is planning a 12-week session of classes in Tai Chi (a Chinese exercise that improves flexibility, circulation, balance, muscle control, and strength through a series of gentle turning and stretching exercises that aid in relaxation and stress reduction) to be held at the Recreation building on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. beginning January 13. Cost is \$30.

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It is best to mail early in the day. Your post office is adding extra daily collections to ensure that your holiday greetings will be delivered to family and friends. There will even be Sunday collections added. For package needs, remember that all Express Mail and Priority Mail supplies are free.

"The Romulus Post Office knows that the holidays can be a very hectic time," says Postmaster Andy Pietrzyk. "We want to be sure to bring you holiday cheer during your visit, and are looking forward to delivering excellent service."

For added convenience, there are three 24-hour post offices open for retail services: George W. Young Post Office, 1401 W. Fort Street, Detroit; the Redford Branch, 12245 Beech Daly Road, Redford; and the Airport Mail Center, Building 515, Detroit Metro Airport.

Visit the Postal Service, a nontax funded agency, at its on-line address (www.usps.gov/) or call 1-800-725-2161 with postal concerns, compliments, or suggestions. □

PACK HOLIDAYS WITH PUNCH

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Into each of two 8-ounce mugs, place 1 prepared cinnamon stick and any remaining orange zest; add 1/2 cup tea, 1/3 cup apple cider (or juice), and 2 tablespoons rum; stir to combine. Top each portion with half of the sugar-butter mixture; serve immediately.

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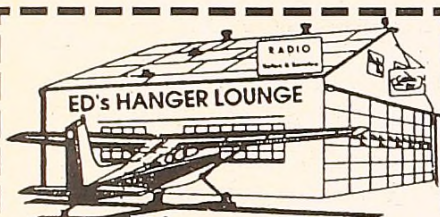
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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (Note: For further information about events at the Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)

Local Social Security Office Closed for Renovations

Because the Social Security office located on Hamlin Boulevard in Inkster will be undergoing major renovation work through Friday, December 20, branch spokespersons are asking people who need to conduct business during that time to do so at one of the Department's other area offices.

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- Social Security Office
3620 Biddle Avenue
Wyandotte, MI 48192
- Social Security Office
17370 Laurel Park Drive North
Suite 210
Livonia, MI 48152

Assistance can also be received by calling the Department's toll-free number: 1-800-772-1213.

New Year's Bash

The annual New Year's party - set for Friday, December 27, beginning at 1 p.m. - will be held at the Romulus VFW Hall, located at 39270 Huron River Drive. The Hall was donated for the seniors' use by the VFW under Commander Douglas Harden; U.S. Park, under the direction of Julie Allison, has also made a cash donation to help offset the cost of the party. The generosity of these fine people has enabled the Center to keep ticket prices down to a very affordable \$3 per person.

The party promises to be an enjoyable mix of entertainment and food, with a menu that will include lasagna (furnished by the Ladies' Auxiliary of VFW Post #9568 - Carol Blanton, President), chicken, roast beef, potatoes, gravy, rolls, and more.

Since the number of guests may have to be limited, those who plan to attend are urged to sign up early. For information, call the Center.

Substitute Bowlers Needed

Bowlers who could substitute during Senior League games on Mondays are asked to call the Center and leave their name and number. It's a nice way to have fun while helping out.

Call Ahead for Holiday Haircuts

Because so many people like to trim their hair as well as their tree to look good for the holidays, the Center's once-a-month haircut service may be in more demand than usual this month, so anyone who plans to come in on the regularly scheduled, second-Monday-of-the-month date (in this case, December 9) is asked to call ahead to make an appointment. If necessary, the Center will add a second date: Tuesday, December 10. As always, the cost is just \$5.

Change In Schedule for Free Blood-pressure Readings

Beginning in December, Community Emergency Medical Service will conduct its free blood-pressure checks at the Center on the fourth Monday of every month at 1 p.m. Next scheduled date: December 23.

Toning To Tape

The Romulus Senior Center invites those who are interested in looking and feeling better to make use of the Richard Simmons "Silver Foxes" exercise video, available for play at the Center every weekday from 9 to 9:45 a.m., and during some afternoons as well. The Center recommends that all participants wear comfortable clothing, and urges anyone unused to physical exertion to consult a physician before beginning. For further information, contact the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852.

- **Niagara Falls** - Niagara Falls in the winter is a breathtaking sight, and local seniors will have a chance to enjoy it when they take this two-day/one-night trip, which departs January 9. The \$149 cost includes round-trip motorcoach transportation, hotel accommodations, continental breakfast, two luncheons, "The Legendary Stars" at Carmen's, a Christmas lights tour, visits to the Rainforest Greenhouse and the Butterfly Conservatory, and a stop at the Maple Leaf Village Gambling Casino.
- **Day Trips** - Among several "day trips" that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center are one to Battle Creek to see the Festival of Lights (Wednesday, December 11; \$30); and to a "Polish Party," complete with old-fashioned, homemade Polish goodies and great live music (Wednesday, January 29; \$35). Sign up soon if interested. □

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SPECIAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 14, 1996

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Thursday, November 14, 1996 was called to order by President Kenneth E. Berlinn at 6:35 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Howard J. Kesner absent (excused), and Member Sandra F. Langley absent (excused). Member Langley entered the meeting at 6:43 P.M. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kenneth E. Berlinn.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

11/96/13 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Lenossi to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

11/96/14 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Gondek to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:37 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 7:05 P.M.

Action Regarding Detroit Location

Mr. Robert Lusk and Mr. George Butler, Attorneys from the firm of Keller, Thoma, Schwarze, Schwarze, DuBay and Katz were present and discussed our legal options with the Board of Education.

11/96/15 Moved by Gondek supported by Woods to reconvene in Regular Session. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

11/96/16 Moved by Lenossi supported by Woods to authorize the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education's legal counsel to take whatever legal action may be necessary to prevent the City of Detroit from closing or forcing the closure of the District's school facility located at 115 State Street, Detroit, Michigan. Ayes: 5. Nays: 1 (Langley). Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

11/96/17 Moved by Woods supported by Lenossi that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith A. Gondek, Acting Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 11, 1996

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 11, 1996 was called to order by President Kenneth E. Berlinn at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Judith A. Gondek absent (excused). All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kenneth E. Berlinn.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, requested that the Agenda be amended as follows: Add "Surplus Desks from Cory" under Report of the Superintendent, Item VI. E. 1.

11/96/2 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Lenossi to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

11/96/3 Moved by Langley supported by Woods to approve the Minutes of October 28, October 29 and November 6, 1996 as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources, recommended the following personnel actions for Board approval:

EMPLOYMENT – Karen Valiquette, Teacher, Middle School, Effective September 3, 1996, and Sharon Genga, Resource Teacher, Merriman Elementary School, Effective November 11, 1996.

RESIGNATION – Steven Losey, EMI Teacher, Barth Elementary School, Effective November 15, 1996, and Arden Flower, Auto Lab Teacher, High School, Effective November 15, 1996.

11/96/4 Moved by Langley supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the personnel actions as presented by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Judith A. Gondek entered the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

Bills for Payment

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, presented the Bills for Payment for Board approval.

11/96/5 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Langley to approve the Bills for Payment as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 1 (Lenossi). Motion carried.

11/96/6 Moved by Lenossi supported by Woods to delete a number of checks issued to pay for lunch and dinner meetings. Ayes: 3. Nays: 4 (Berlinn, Oleszkowicz, Langley, and Gondek). Motion failed.

Report on Detroit Lawsuit – Baron's School

Dr. William M. Bedell discussed the Complaint that was filed against us by the Detroit Public Schools over our Schools of Choice. He stated that a hearing is scheduled on Friday, November 15, 1996.

Resolution of "Thanks" – Pat Patterson and Debra Hoffman

11/96/7 Moved by Kesner supported by Gondek to extend our "Thanks" to Pat Patterson for his years of service on the Board of Education and to adopt the attached Resolution. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

11/96/8 Moved by Kesner supported by Oleszkowicz to extend our "Thanks" to Debra A. Hoffman for her many years of service on the Board of Education and to adopt the attached Resolution. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

French Class Trip to France

11/96/9 Moved by Lenossi supported by Oleszkowicz that the Board remove this item from the table. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Superintendent Bedell withdrew this item from the Board agenda. There was a consensus that decisions on these field trips should be made by the Superintendent.

Surplus Desks – Cory School

11/96/10 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Langley to authorize the Board of Education to declare student desks surplus and make them available for sale to the community. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience discussed the following items with the Board of Education as they pertain to the following: Baron's School of Choice; obstetrical care at the Romulus Health Center; negotiations; hall monitors; and new coach committees.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell shared the following items of interest with the Board of Education: 1) Finance Committee Minutes; 2) Athletics – 9th-grade Program Start; 3) Athletic Committee Schedule; 4) New Coach Committees; 5) Health Center – Obstetrical Care; and 6) "Thanks" – Office of Sheriff.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Woods questioned the time-line of the new athletic programs and their acceptance into the Mega League.

11/96/11 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Kesner to discontinue charging for the use of buses for field trips. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Executive Session was canceled.

ADJOURNMENT:

11/96/12 Moved by Langley supported by Gondek that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard J. Kesner, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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Date of Engagement _____
Date of Wedding _____
Place _____
City _____ State _____
Reception _____
City _____ State _____
Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions): _____

Attach any additional information
concerning the wedding or engagement to this form.

The Stork Arrived

Ethan Lee Richardson

Proudly announcing the birth of a new son, Ethan Lee Richardson, are Jack and Sarah (Harrison) Richardson of Wayne, Michigan.

Born in Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center (Dearborn, MI) at 8:33 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 1996, Ethan weighed in at seven pounds, six ounces, and measured 18³/₄ inches in length.

Among those giving the new arrival the warmest of welcomes were his paternal grandparents, Lavone and Susie Spears (Cookeville, TN); his maternal grandmother, Barbara Harrison (Romulus, MI); Uncle Mark and Aunt Angela Harrison; Uncle Dan and Aunt Maggie McRandall; and his "special buddies," Dawn Sparagowski, Buffie Armbruster, and Jessica Deverich. □

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Congratulations to Ms. Kelly Renee Hardway, who received straight A's on her report card last month. As a sixth-grader at Cory School, Kelly also plays the trombone in her school's band, and was "Student of the Month" in October.

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Lee F. Hall

Lee F. Hall of Huron Township, Michigan, passed away on Tuesday, November 26, 1996, at the age of 81.

The Ford Motor Company retiree was born in Martin, Michigan, on March 15, 1915.

Lee is survived by one son, Mr. Richard A. (Arlene) Hall (Williamsburg, MI); one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Joyce A.) Daunt (Wyandotte, MI); one sister, Mrs. Phillip (Helen) MacVean (Martin,

MI); and two grandchildren, Deborah and Brian.

He was predeceased by his wife, Hettie W. (Pruitt) Hall.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 30, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Herbert Gilbert (Beacon Baptist Church, Taylor, MI) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock). □

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